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Applicants: Hay and Hawkins      Art Unit: 1652  
Application No.: 09/270,983      Examiner: R.G. Hutson  
Filed: March 17, 1999      Conf. No. 3362  
Title: FUSION PROTEINS FOR IDENTIFYING PROTEASES, PROTEASE  
TARGET SITES AND REGULATORS OF PROTEASE ACTIVITY IN  
LIVING CELLS (Amended)

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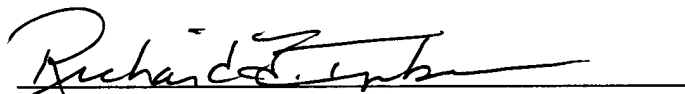
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- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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